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The application contains an abstract on page 1, under the title. However, applicants wish to delete this abstract in view of the fact that the present application is a divisional focused on the peptide itself.